

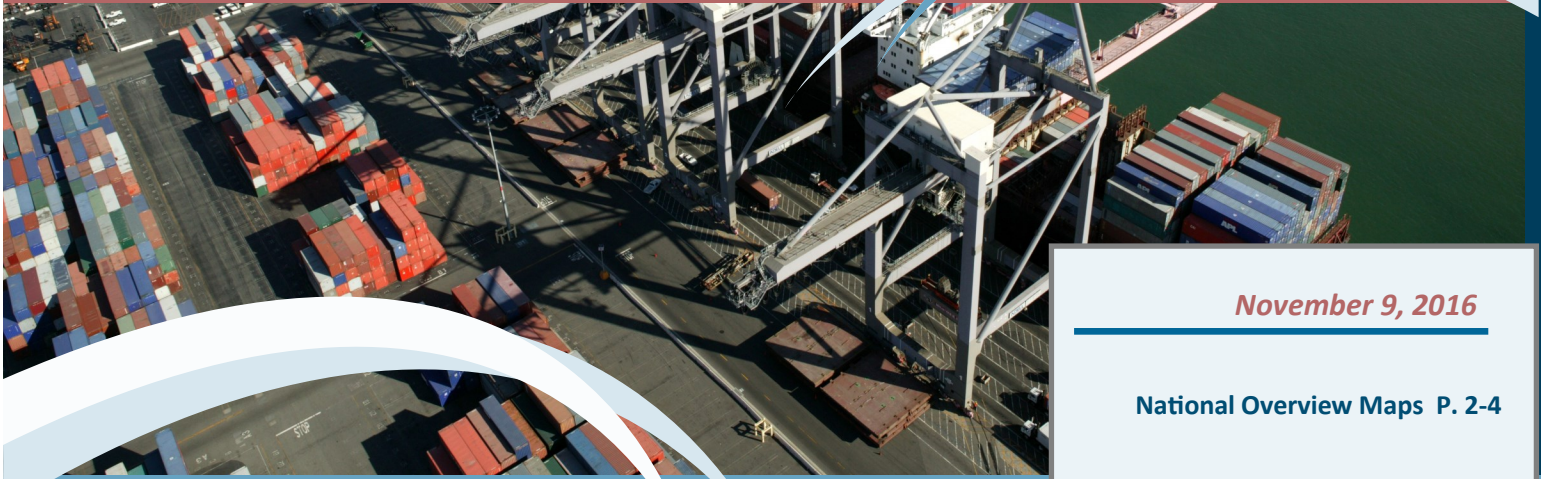


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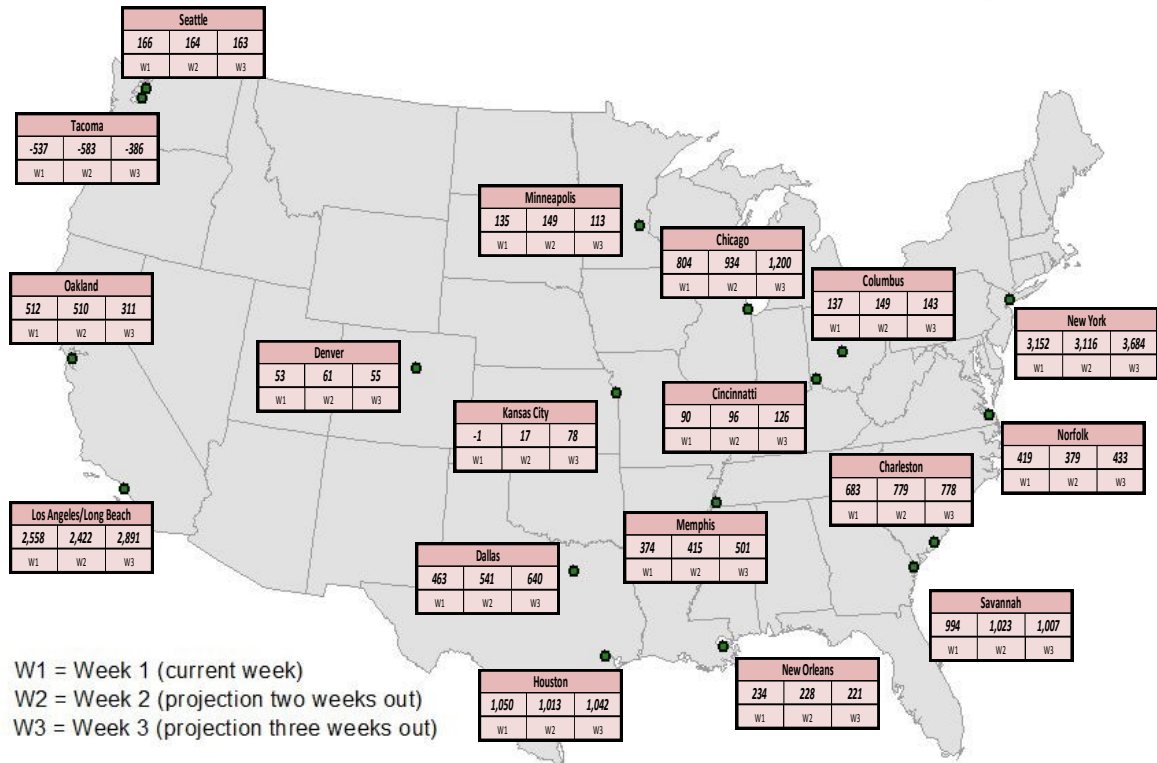
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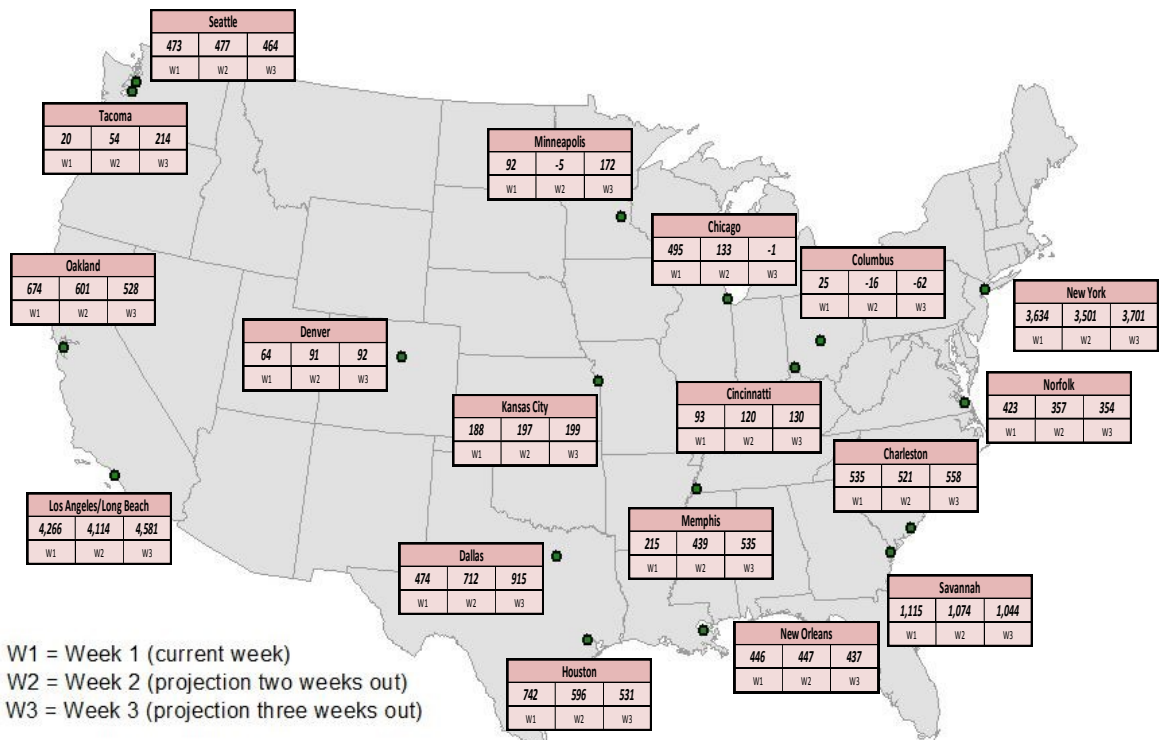
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Weekly Availability for 20ft Dry Containers

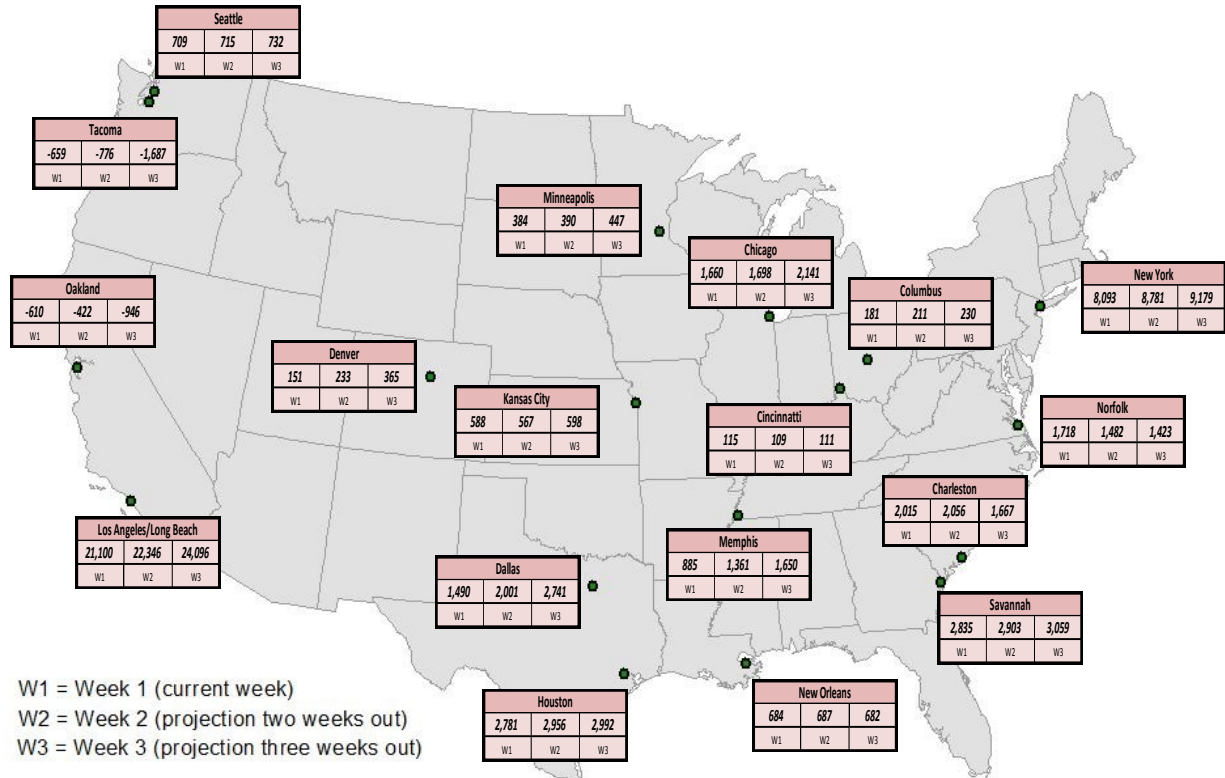


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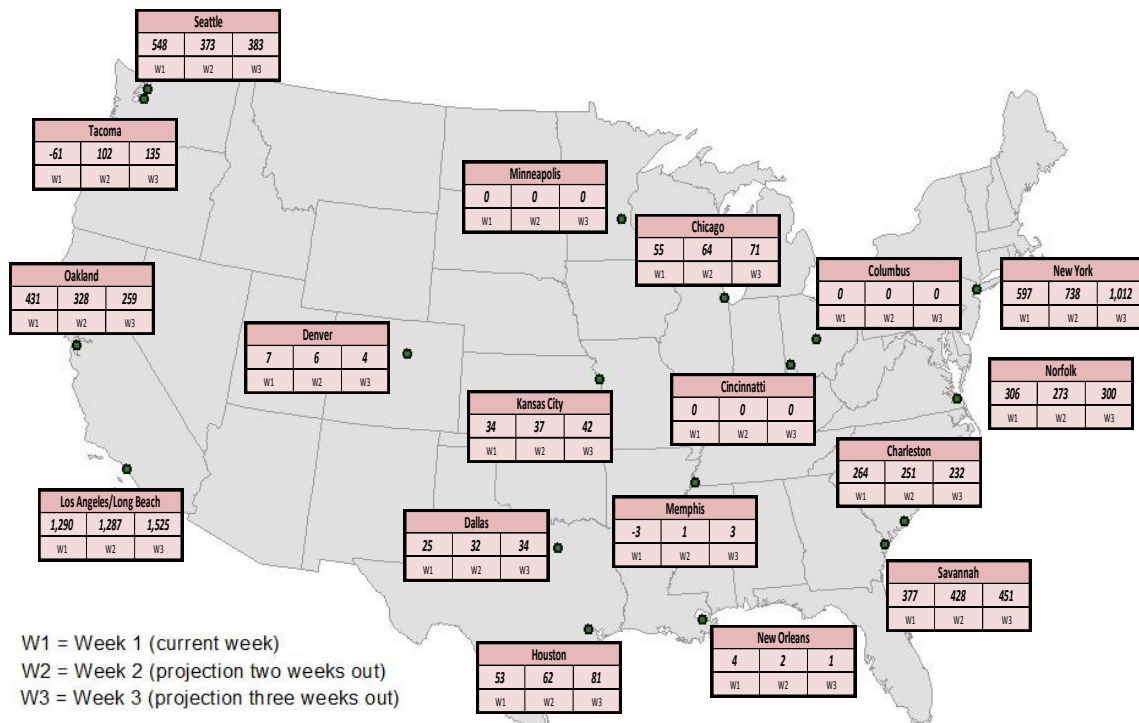




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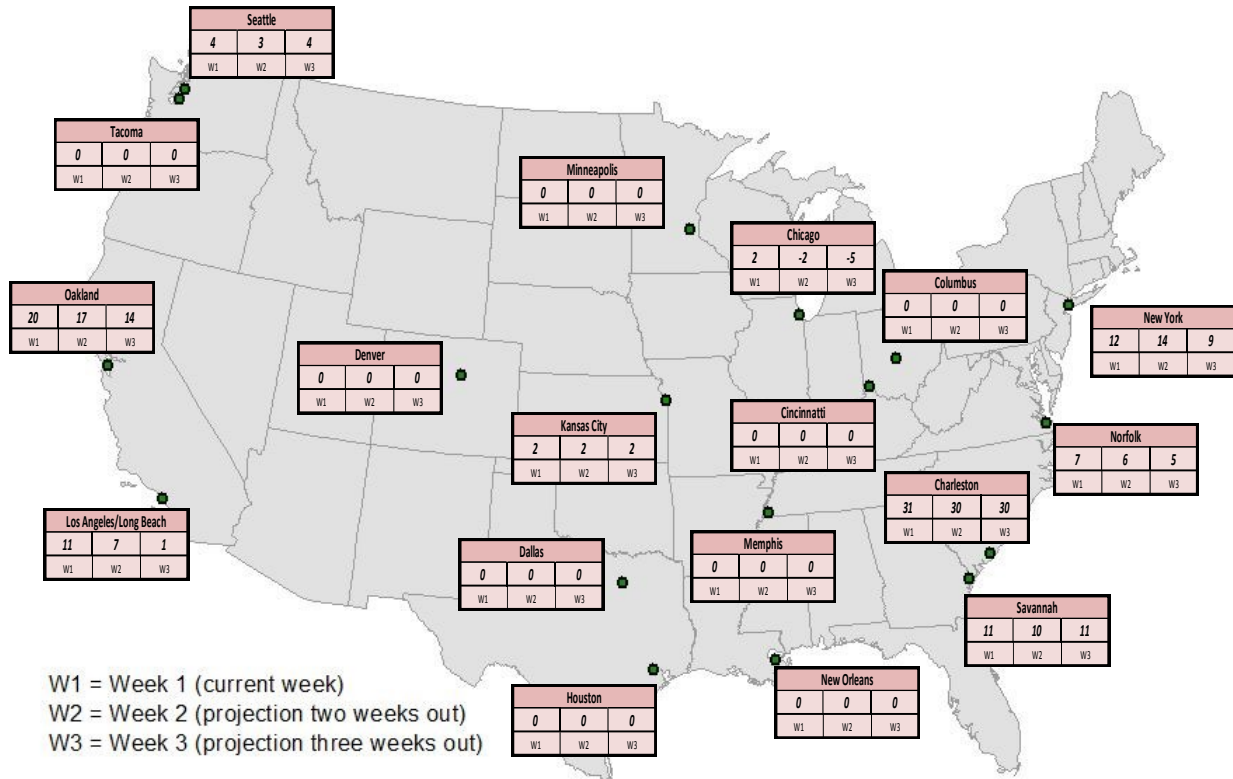


Weekly Availability for 40ft Refrigerated Containers





Weekly Availability for 20ft Refrigerated Containers





Charleston						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	331	242	152	-42	.	683
Week 2: Nov 16-22	353	242	187	-3	.	779
Week 3: Nov 23-29	374	242	176	-14	.	778
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	490	282	165	64	.	1,001
Week 2: Nov 16-22	490	301	138	76	.	1,005
Week 3: Nov 23-29	490	298	54	-59	.	783
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	1,144	362	337	172	.	2,015
Week 2: Nov 16-22	1,144	359	352	201	.	2,056
Week 3: Nov 23-29	1,144	330	348	-155	.	1,667
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	187	69	4	4	.	264
Week 2: Nov 16-22	186	57	4	4	.	251
Week 3: Nov 23-29	178	47	4	3	.	232
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	29	2	.	.	.	31
Week 2: Nov 16-22	28	2	.	.	.	30
Week 3: Nov 23-29	28	2	.	.	.	30

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Chicago						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	352	331	200	-79	.	804
Week 2: Nov 16-22	420	317	200	-3	.	934
Week 3: Nov 23-29	608	412	200	-20	.	1,200
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	324	162	38	-29	.	495
Week 2: Nov 16-22	324	43	-17	-217	.	133
Week 3: Nov 23-29	324	-23	-30	-272	.	-1
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	884	541	195	40	.	1,660
Week 2: Nov 16-22	884	881	-27	-40	.	1,698
Week 3: Nov 23-29	884	1,246	27	-16	.	2,141
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	55	0	.	.	.	55
Week 2: Nov 16-22	64	0	.	.	.	64
Week 3: Nov 23-29	71	0	.	.	.	71
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	2	.	.	.	.	2
Week 2: Nov 16-22	-2	.	.	.	.	-2
Week 3: Nov 23-29	-5	.	.	.	.	-5

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Cincinnati						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	38	22	16	14	.	90
Week 2: Nov 16-22	38	31	7	20	.	96
Week 3: Nov 23-29	38	46	20	22	.	126
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	62	31	2	-2	.	93
Week 2: Nov 16-22	62	54	3	1	.	120
Week 3: Nov 23-29	62	74	-6	0	.	130
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	66	36	11	2	.	115
Week 2: Nov 16-22	66	63	-22	2	.	109
Week 3: Nov 23-29	66	83	-39	1	.	111
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Nov 16-22	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Nov 23-29	0	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Nov 16-22	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Nov 23-29	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Columbus						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	67	48	20	2	.	137
Week 2: Nov 16-22	73	44	20	12	.	149
Week 3: Nov 23-29	73	42	20	8	.	143
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	30	12	5	-22	.	25
Week 2: Nov 16-22	30	5	2	-53	.	-16
Week 3: Nov 23-29	30	3	2	-97	.	-62
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	128	48	6	-1	.	181
Week 2: Nov 16-22	178	48	5	-20	.	211
Week 3: Nov 23-29	211	48	-13	-16	.	230
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Nov 16-22	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Nov 23-29	0	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	0
Week 2: Nov 16-22	0
Week 3: Nov 23-29	0

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Dallas						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	160	143	88	72	.	463
Week 2: Nov 16-22	183	191	95	72	.	541
Week 3: Nov 23-29	173	256	139	72	.	640
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	230	118	97	29	.	474
Week 2: Nov 16-22	230	306	131	45	.	712
Week 3: Nov 23-29	230	446	178	61	.	915
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	556	346	298	290	.	1,490
Week 2: Nov 16-22	556	824	232	389	.	2,001
Week 3: Nov 23-29	556	1,257	347	581	.	2,741
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	25	0	.	.	.	25
Week 2: Nov 16-22	32	0	.	.	.	32
Week 3: Nov 23-29	34	0	.	.	.	34
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	0
Week 2: Nov 16-22	0
Week 3: Nov 23-29	0

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Denver						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	24	15	12	2	.	53
Week 2: Nov 16-22	32	16	12	1	.	61
Week 3: Nov 23-29	38	12	12	-7	.	55
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	41	18	4	1	.	64
Week 2: Nov 16-22	67	18	5	1	.	91
Week 3: Nov 23-29	66	18	6	2	.	92
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	109	32	12	-2	.	151
Week 2: Nov 16-22	165	57	12	-1	.	233
Week 3: Nov 23-29	289	68	12	-4	.	365
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	7	0	.	.	.	7
Week 2: Nov 16-22	6	0	.	.	.	6
Week 3: Nov 23-29	4	0	.	.	.	4
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	0
Week 2: Nov 16-22	0
Week 3: Nov 23-29	0

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Houston						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	759	281	28	-18	.	1,050
Week 2: Nov 16-22	759	274	20	-40	.	1,013
Week 3: Nov 23-29	759	275	20	-12	.	1,042
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	712	42	22	-34	.	742
Week 2: Nov 16-22	712	30	-73	-73	.	596
Week 3: Nov 23-29	712	43	-148	-76	.	531
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	2,592	250	58	-119	.	2,781
Week 2: Nov 16-22	2,592	294	59	11	.	2,956
Week 3: Nov 23-29	2,592	344	100	-44	.	2,992
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	51	2	0	.	.	53
Week 2: Nov 16-22	60	2	0	.	.	62
Week 3: Nov 23-29	79	2	0	.	.	81
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Nov 16-22	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Nov 23-29	0	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Kansas City						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	32	21	0	-54	.	-1
Week 2: Nov 16-22	47	21	0	-51	.	17
Week 3: Nov 23-29	64	21	0	-7	.	78
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	136	38	14	0	.	188
Week 2: Nov 16-22	136	44	17	0	.	197
Week 3: Nov 23-29	136	46	17	0	.	199
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	494	60	35	-1	.	588
Week 2: Nov 16-22	494	30	44	-1	.	567
Week 3: Nov 23-29	494	62	46	-4	.	598
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	34	0	.	.	.	34
Week 2: Nov 16-22	37	0	.	.	.	37
Week 3: Nov 23-29	42	0	.	.	.	42
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	2	.	.	.	.	2
Week 2: Nov 16-22	2	.	.	.	.	2
Week 3: Nov 23-29	2	.	.	.	.	2

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Los Angeles and Long Beach						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	1,237	742	650	-71	.	2,558
Week 2: Nov 16-22	1,237	473	757	-45	.	2,422
Week 3: Nov 23-29	1,237	801	826	27	.	2,891
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	3,106	1,228	246	-314	.	4,266
Week 2: Nov 16-22	3,106	1,654	6	-652	.	4,114
Week 3: Nov 23-29	3,106	1,906	334	-765	.	4,581
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	15,668	5,041	1,735	-1,344	.	21,100
Week 2: Nov 16-22	15,668	6,110	1,482	-914	.	22,346
Week 3: Nov 23-29	15,668	7,007	1,936	-515	.	24,096
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	659	331	225	75	.	1,290
Week 2: Nov 16-22	687	321	204	75	.	1,287
Week 3: Nov 23-29	762	383	305	75	.	1,525
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	10	1	.	.	.	11
Week 2: Nov 16-22	10	-3	.	.	.	7
Week 3: Nov 23-29	10	-9	.	.	.	1

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Memphis						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	186	97	79	12	.	374
Week 2: Nov 16-22	186	105	129	-5	.	415
Week 3: Nov 23-29	186	123	197	-5	.	501
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	101	76	30	8	.	215
Week 2: Nov 16-22	331	76	50	-18	.	439
Week 3: Nov 23-29	450	76	32	-23	.	535
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	440	306	131	8	.	885
Week 2: Nov 16-22	440	697	184	40	.	1,361
Week 3: Nov 23-29	440	929	251	30	.	1,650
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	0	-3	.	.	.	-3
Week 2: Nov 16-22	0	1	.	.	.	1
Week 3: Nov 23-29	0	3	.	.	.	3
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	0
Week 2: Nov 16-22	0
Week 3: Nov 23-29	0

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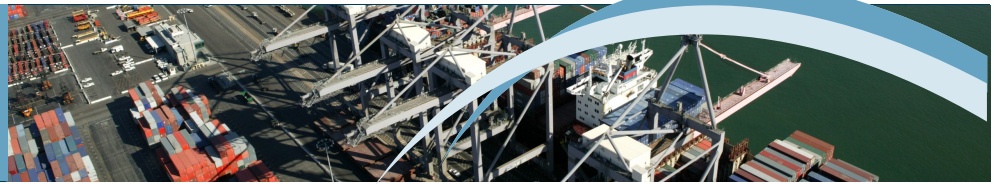
Minneapolis						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	91	43	23	-22	.	135
Week 2: Nov 16-22	99	46	23	-19	.	149
Week 3: Nov 23-29	35	66	23	-11	.	113
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	70	40	38	-56	.	92
Week 2: Nov 16-22	70	49	62	-186	.	-5
Week 3: Nov 23-29	70	97	50	-45	.	172
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	148	110	86	40	.	384
Week 2: Nov 16-22	148	129	112	1	.	390
Week 3: Nov 23-29	148	117	166	16	.	447
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Nov 16-22	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Nov 23-29	0	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	0
Week 2: Nov 16-22	0
Week 3: Nov 23-29	0

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New Orleans						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	128	101	5	0	.	234
Week 2: Nov 16-22	128	93	7	0	.	228
Week 3: Nov 23-29	128	87	6	0	.	221
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	400	38	8	0	.	446
Week 2: Nov 16-22	400	43	4	0	.	447
Week 3: Nov 23-29	400	40	-3	0	.	437
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	524	142	19	-1	.	684
Week 2: Nov 16-22	524	143	21	-1	.	687
Week 3: Nov 23-29	524	135	23	0	.	682
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	4	0	.	.	.	4
Week 2: Nov 16-22	2	0	.	.	.	2
Week 3: Nov 23-29	1	0	.	.	.	1
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	0
Week 2: Nov 16-22	0
Week 3: Nov 23-29	0

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New York						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	1,631	624	531	366	.	3,152
Week 2: Nov 16-22	1,631	649	590	246	.	3,116
Week 3: Nov 23-29	1,631	766	733	554	.	3,684
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	2,474	600	492	68	.	3,634
Week 2: Nov 16-22	2,474	539	515	-27	.	3,501
Week 3: Nov 23-29	2,474	708	583	-64	.	3,701
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	6,164	989	928	12	.	8,093
Week 2: Nov 16-22	6,164	1,495	951	171	.	8,781
Week 3: Nov 23-29	6,164	1,889	972	154	.	9,179
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	279	186	122	10	.	597
Week 2: Nov 16-22	396	226	106	10	.	738
Week 3: Nov 23-29	524	382	96	10	.	1,012
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	7	5	.	.	.	12
Week 2: Nov 16-22	9	5	.	.	.	14
Week 3: Nov 23-29	4	5	.	.	.	9

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Norfolk						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	173	97	86	63	.	419
Week 2: Nov 16-22	180	97	76	26	.	379
Week 3: Nov 23-29	232	97	63	41	.	433
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	184	159	64	16	.	423
Week 2: Nov 16-22	134	172	64	-13	.	357
Week 3: Nov 23-29	123	213	64	-46	.	354
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	674	532	489	23	.	1,718
Week 2: Nov 16-22	674	435	484	-111	.	1,482
Week 3: Nov 23-29	674	448	524	-223	.	1,423
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	197	96	10	3	.	306
Week 2: Nov 16-22	162	97	10	4	.	273
Week 3: Nov 23-29	171	98	10	21	.	300
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	5	2	.	.	.	7
Week 2: Nov 16-22	5	1	.	.	.	6
Week 3: Nov 23-29	5	.	.	.	.	5

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Oakland						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	202	192	104	14	.	512
Week 2: Nov 16-22	202	232	27	49	.	510
Week 3: Nov 23-29	202	306	-257	60	.	311
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	470	246	82	-124	.	674
Week 2: Nov 16-22	470	252	10	-131	.	601
Week 3: Nov 23-29	470	251	-65	-128	.	528
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	600	53	-151	-1,112	.	-610
Week 2: Nov 16-22	600	-136	-275	-611	.	-422
Week 3: Nov 23-29	600	-320	-204	-1,022	.	-946
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	242	148	30	11	.	431
Week 2: Nov 16-22	138	141	30	19	.	328
Week 3: Nov 23-29	67	147	30	15	.	259
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	10	10	.	.	.	20
Week 2: Nov 16-22	7	10	.	.	.	17
Week 3: Nov 23-29	4	10	.	.	.	14

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Savannah						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	435	315	178	66	.	994
Week 2: Nov 16-22	435	309	141	138	.	1,023
Week 3: Nov 23-29	435	394	165	13	.	1,007
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	742	324	207	-158	.	1,115
Week 2: Nov 16-22	742	199	149	-16	.	1,074
Week 3: Nov 23-29	742	207	258	-163	.	1,044
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	1,226	916	440	253	.	2,835
Week 2: Nov 16-22	1,226	802	632	243	.	2,903
Week 3: Nov 23-29	1,226	917	737	179	.	3,059
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	184	182	10	1	.	377
Week 2: Nov 16-22	255	161	10	2	.	428
Week 3: Nov 23-29	270	169	10	2	.	451
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	10	1	.	.	.	11
Week 2: Nov 16-22	9	1	.	.	.	10
Week 3: Nov 23-29	10	1	.	.	.	11

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Seattle						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	165	3	-2	.	.	166
Week 2: Nov 16-22	165	-36	35	.	.	164
Week 3: Nov 23-29	165	-102	100	.	.	163
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	269	202	2	.	.	473
Week 2: Nov 16-22	274	202	1	.	.	477
Week 3: Nov 23-29	260	202	2	.	.	464
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	459	218	32	.	.	709
Week 2: Nov 16-22	459	235	21	.	.	715
Week 3: Nov 23-29	459	252	21	.	.	732
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	327	197	24	.	.	548
Week 2: Nov 16-22	154	197	22	.	.	373
Week 3: Nov 23-29	165	197	21	.	.	383
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	2	2	.	.	.	4
Week 2: Nov 16-22	1	2	.	.	.	3
Week 3: Nov 23-29	2	2	.	.	.	4

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Tacoma						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	55	36	-628	.	.	-537
Week 2: Nov 16-22	-17	36	-602	.	.	-583
Week 3: Nov 23-29	30	36	-452	.	.	-386
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	226	32	-238	.	.	20
Week 2: Nov 16-22	304	32	-282	.	.	54
Week 3: Nov 23-29	401	32	-219	.	.	214
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	237	34	-930	.	.	-659
Week 2: Nov 16-22	0	34	-810	.	.	-776
Week 3: Nov 23-29	-546	34	-1,175	.	.	-1,687
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	105	0	-166	.	.	-61
Week 2: Nov 16-22	137	0	-35	.	.	102
Week 3: Nov 23-29	135	0	0	.	.	135
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Nov 9-15	0	0
Week 2: Nov 16-22	0	0
Week 3: Nov 23-29	0	0

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Understanding this Report

The weekly Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report (OCSAR) provides a snapshot of container availability for westbound transpacific trade lanes at select intermodal locations around the country. The data presented in this report are gathered from 5 member carriers in the Transpacific Stabilization Agreement (TSA). The TSA carriers include COSCO, Evergreen, Hanjin Shipping, Yang Ming Transport Corporation, and OOCL.

- The data are estimates of container availability per week by the participating carriers. The carriers determine container availability by comparing current supplies at each of the 18 intermodal locations with the demand for these containers based on up-to-date bookings or reservation information in the westbound transpacific trade lane.
- Each week, participating carriers report the estimated number of containers available for the current week (W1) as well as estimates for the subsequent 2 weeks (W2 and W3).
- Maps on pages 2–4 offer a national overview of weekly container availability. The weekly national data are derived from the sum of the individual carrier responses at each intermodal location.
- Individual carrier responses are presented by location on pages 6–23 and have been sorted from largest to smallest. To maintain carrier confidentiality, specific carrier identification is not provided.
- Carrier responses showing negative numbers, such as -29, should be interpreted as meaning that 29 containers are needed by shippers but the carrier is not able to supply them. A positive number, such as 64, would mean 64 containers are available that are not demanded. An indication of 0 means the carriers have the exact amount of containers needed based on current supply and demand estimates.
- Availability levels are subject to change, and may be affected by delays in return of equipment to carriers by shippers or consignees, and by free time restrictions imposed by railroads. Due to the dynamic nature of the container industry, carriers cannot be held responsible for the level of availability at the time of inquiry.
- Data presented in the report do not imply availability of chassis.
- Container availability estimates represent availability for all export cargo, not just agricultural products.
- USDA collects these data on a voluntary basis and cannot be held responsible for the status of container availability when a reader makes inquiry with an ocean carrier. USDA relies on the participating ocean carriers to ensure the data is accurate.
- Terminology:
 - 20ft Dry Container (20ft): A standard shipping container that is 20 feet long.
 - 40ft Dry Container (40ft): A standard shipping container that is 40 feet long.
 - 40ft High-Cube (HC): A shipping container which is 40 feet long and 9 feet, 6 inches tall (1 foot taller than a standard 40ft dry container).
 - 40ft reefer: A refrigerated shipping container which is 40 feet long.
 - 20ft reefer: A refrigerated shipping container which is 20 feet long.
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